GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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BRAHMOS MISSILE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Brahmos Missile cannot be fitted in the fighter aircraft;

(b) if so, the details thereof and corrective measures taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government has made efforts to modify/re-design the missile so as to make it compatible for the aircraft; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the schedule of its testing?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Brahmos Supersonic cruise missile has been successfully developed for Indian Navy and Indian Army as a joint effort with Russia. Development of air version has also been sanctioned and is progressing for integration with SU-30 MKI for the Indian Air Force.

(c) & (d): The re-design and development of the air launched version of missile has been completed and missile is ready for testing. Suitable universal launcher for different types of aircraft has also been designed. The tests would be carried out in 2009.